

### **REMARKS**

This is a full and timely response to the outstanding final Office Action mailed October 19, 2005. Claim 13 remains pending in the present application and is in condition for allowance. Claim 13 is the previously objected to claim 6, which was objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but being allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 1-12 have been cancelled without prejudice herein.

### CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing amendments and for at least the reasons set forth above, Applicant respectfully submits that all objections and rejections have been traversed, rendered moot and/or accommodated, and that presently pending claim 13 is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application and the presently pending claims are hereby courteously requested. If in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephonic conference would expedite the examination of this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (603) 627-8134.

Respectfully submitted,



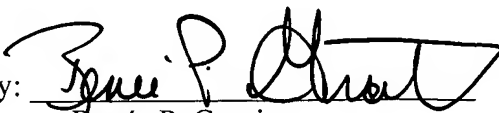
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